

## THEY DIDN'T FUSE.

The Populists Remained Steadfast to Their Faith.

## ALTHOUGH SORELY TEMPTED

By that Eloquent Persuasionist, John T. McGraw.

## THE MUNIFICENT OFFER MADE

By the Democrats, provided the Populists would fall down and worship General Watts.—The Democracy offered to pull off the nominees for Attorney General, State Superintendent of Schools and Treasurer, and support the Populist Candidates, but all overtures were refused.—Fitzgerald declined to fill Ralphy's place.—Democrats Complete Their Electoral Ticket and Put on the robes of sackcloth and humiliation.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Sept. 4.—The Democrats and Populists were in conference until a very late hour last night. The Democrats endeavored by every means to absorb the Populists and to get their endorsement of all Democratic nominees. In this they were repulsed and knocked out all around. Offers were made to withdraw T. S. Riley, Democratic nominee for attorney general, J. W. Tucker, their nominee for treasurer, and Virgil A. Lewis, state superintendent of free schools, and support the Populist nominees for those offices. But all this was so thin as to be easily seen through and the Populists did not take the bait. They were taken up on several high mountains, however, in the course of the conference, Colonel John T. McGraw assuming the role of the tempter. He pointed out to the Populists the advantages of a fusion, showing abundance in political preference and official honors, and said to them: "All these are yours if you will only fall down and worship Watts."

But the majority of Populists are true and have shown enough strength and courage to resist temptation. Late last night the final action with regard to the governor was taken. Ralphynder is known to be too rank a free silver man not to be a dangerous menace to the election of W. W. Strong, Democratic nominee, was brought to bear upon him and upon the Populist committee to secure his withdrawal and this effort met with success, as the following letter will show:

To the honorable executive committee of the People's party of West Virginia:

I have the honor to acknowledge formal notice of my selection by the People's party of West Virginia as its candidate for governor.

I appreciate the honor and extend my sincere thanks for the high compliment. I regard the People's party as a potent factor in our state politics and have been pleased to have received the nomination for governor by the Democratic state convention of West Virginia.

Having entered said convention as a free silver candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, I am bound by the oath of office and must respectfully decline the nomination of the People's party tendered me by its notification committee.

Most respectfully,  
ISAAC RALPHYNDER.

Colonel Nathan W. Ward, Esq., was nominated for governor last night by the Populist caucus.

In completing their ticket, the Populists nominated for electors, Dr. Housh of Greenbrier, and James Bassell, of Lewis county.

In completing their ticket the Democratic state committee named for electors at large, Samuel W. Woods, of Barbour, and General S. Clair, of Fayette.

Thus it will be seen that the effort of the Democrats to absorb the Populists was another instance of "Love's labor lost," as they were defeated at all points. There is bitter feeling among the Democrats, but the Populists have at least achieved a moral triumph as they will not sell their birthright for a mess of pottage.

## RITCHIE COUNTY

Is Alive to the Duty of the Hour, and Good for 500 Majority.

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PENNSBORO, W. Va., Sept. 4.—The Republicans of Ritchie county held a large and enthusiastic meeting at their headquarters here last night. J. Willis Fidler, chairman of the county executive committee, called the meeting to order and named B. W. Bee as temporary chairman, who then introduced the Hon. Eustis H. Fitch, of Cabell county. He held the immense audience, numbering from 800 to 1,000 spellbound for at least two hours. When the speaker referred to that grand Christian warrior, at which time the Populists gave at least 800 majority for McKinley, Hobart and sound money, with a little protection mixed in.

## CHAIRMAN HANNA

Thinks the Indianapolis Ticket will Aid the Republican Ticket.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 4.—National Republican Chairman M. A. Hanna, in an interview said concerning the result of the Indianapolis Democratic standard convention: "I think the action of the convention will be of assistance to us. Senator Palmer is a strong, reliable man and has a heavy following among the Democrats of Illinois. His nomination, following that of a gold standard Democrat for governor in that state, will weaken the force of the other Democrats in Illinois very materially."

"How about Mr. Buckner?"

"The nomination of Mr. Buckner will also do us good. He is strong in Kentucky and throughout the south, and will help us in the election."

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## A RECORD BREAKER

An Immense Delegation of Pennsylvanians will Visit McKinley Tuesday.

CANTON, O., Sept. 4.—The delegation of visitors coming to Canton to call upon Governor McKinley from Pittsburgh and Beaver county on Saturday promises to exceed in point of numbers anything yet witnessed here. The Beaver contingent will arrive at the Fort Wayne station at 10:40 o'clock. Seventeen hundred tickets have already been sold to those who intend coming. Senator M. S. Quay will in all probability head the delegation.

The Pittsburgh people will not arrive until the afternoon. Advice received at the Fort Wayne ticket office from Pittsburgh as to the effect that seven trains of twelve coaches each are already sold. Over 6,000 tickets have been sold from there. The next train will arrive at 2:30 o'clock. The visitors will all return home in the evening.

## BRYAN SATISFIED

With the Result of His Invasion of the Enemy's Country.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—"I am perfectly satisfied with the result of my trip east," said Mr. Bryan, "and my observation is not based simply on impressions formed from the rostrum. To address people by the tens of thousands as I have done since leaving Chicago would naturally carry with it the impression that the audience addressed were swayed by the utterances delivered. A speaker is apt to be carried away by such an idea. But when I say that I am satisfied with the result of my trip east, I do not mean that my observations from the speaker's stand have led me to suppose that the large audiences whom I have addressed were carried away with the principles advanced, but that they would appear to indicate my estimate is based on entirely different sources."

"Those whom I have met and who have mingled with audiences at demonstrative gatherings, have voluntarily turned toward to assure me that the sentiment was very earnestly received. The Democratic platform, I have taken occasion after leaving the speaker's stand to talk with men whom I have observed in the audience as on the doubtful side. If I might so express myself regarding the Populist interest. Such men have come to me afterward and have expressed themselves as more than half convinced that the tenets of the Chicago platform were after all the truth in the popular interest. Other speakers have been equally enthusiastic. I have seen many of the men who have expressed themselves as more than half convinced that the tenets of the Chicago platform were after all the truth in the popular interest. Other speakers have been equally enthusiastic. I have seen many of the men who have expressed themselves as more than half convinced that the tenets of the Chicago platform were after all the truth in the popular interest."

"The conference lasted two hours and was entirely over routine financial matters connected with the campaign. Mr. Bryan spent the evening quietly at his hotel and spent as much time in resting as the numerous calls of the politicians would allow."

Mr. Bryan left in the evening for her home in Lincoln, N. H., where, where she said she desired to be when the public schools opened on Monday.

The following appointments made for Mr. Bryan are announced from campaign headquarters:

He will spend Sunday, September 13, at Salem, Ill. He will speak at Henderson, Ky., in the forenoon of the 14th, at Louisville on the night of the 14th; Lexington, Ky., on the 15th; Asheville, N. C., the 16th; Richmond, Va., the 17th; Washington, D. C., the 18th, and Baltimore, Md., the 19th.

Mr. Bryan will also speak in New York on September 23 or 24, and will then make a tour of New Jersey, Delaware, and N. England.

Mr. Bryan will leave to-morrow morning at 8:30 on the Chicago & Northwestern for Milwaukee, where he will make two speeches to-morrow on the north and south sides respectively. He will remain in the city as the guest of Edward C. Ward, Democratic national committeeman for Wisconsin, returning Monday morning early to Chicago and leaving at 5:50 p. m. in the evening for Lincoln.

Arrangements have been completed whereby Mr. Bryan will speak at St. Louis September 12, Louisville, Ky., September 14 and Lexington, Ky., September 15.

Sewall Will Stick.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—The Commercial Advertiser this evening prints the following dispatch:

BATH, Me., September 4.

To the Editor of the Commercial Advertiser:

Any statements or inferences that I propose to withdraw from the Democratic national ticket are without foundation. I never had and have not now the remotest intention of doing so.

(Signed) ARTHUR SEWALL.

## NEBRASKA DEMOCRATS

Fuse with the Populists—Electoral Ticket Divided Between Bryan and Sewall and Hanna.

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 4.—The state Democratic silver convention convened at 1 o'clock in Omaha. The representation is not so large as usual.

Upon the Democratic convention will devolve the duty of nominating all eight of the electors. The Populists at their state convention empowered their executive committee to select four electors. The Populists selected by the committee will have to be formally nominated by the Democrats in order to comply with the legal requirements of the ballot law. All eight electors will be designated on the ballot as "Democratic-People's Independent."

Hon. J. G. Smythe, of Omaha, was selected for attorney general, the only place the Democrats had left vacant, and the balance of the Populist state ticket was endorsed. The body named four electors and endorsed the four Populist electors. The convention enthusiastically endorsed the Chicago platform and nominated the Democratic and Populist electoral ticket now stands eight for Bryan, four Democrats for Sewall and four Populists for Watson.

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SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 4.—At the Populist county convention to-day a great sensation was caused by I. Wade McDonald, one of the delegates, reading the following from Jesse H. Grant, son of Gen. U. S. Grant:

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MY DEAR JUDGE—I have noticed that the Populist party and its espousal of the Democratic party and espousal of the People's party. This action meets my approval since I have concluded to enroll myself in the same cause. The financial plank of the Republican platform must drive from that party any one who believes as I do, and the anarchical plank in the Democratic platform must lose to it any person who believes in the protection of American citizens and the welfare of the Republic.

The platform of the People's party has, on the contrary, no objectionable principles and seems to offer a political home to an American can proudly enter.

JESSE H. GRANT.

Mr. Grant has been a resident of San Diego for several years. He has large property interests here, but he takes little part in public affairs. His letter provoked prolonged applause in the convention.

## The Bloodthirsty Sultan.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—The Rome correspondent of the Chronicle says:

Among the victims of the Constantinople massacres were several Italians whose heads were carried through the streets on pikes. It is rumored that the sultan had actually issued an order forbidding the massacre of all the Armenians and the ambulances had to use threats to get it rescinded.

Says Nothing but Thinks a Heap.

RUZZARDI'S BAY, Mass., Sept. 4.—President Cleveland, to-day, persists in his determination to assert last night to say nothing in regard to the nominations made at the Indianapolis convention of the republic.

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